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## Smokejumper Obituary

### **Burk, Charles W. (Missoula 1947)**

Chuck, 92, died January 13, 2015, in Sequim, Washington. He was born September 2, 1922, in Sioux Falls, SD. After attending a year at Augustana College in Sioux Falls, he enlisted in the Navy where he served on the USS California and the USS Cleveland during WWII.

After the war he went to the University of Montana where he received his degree in Forest Management. Chuck briefly worked for Weyerhaeuser before joining the Forest Service where he had a 33-year career in Northern California and Montana. He retired in 1985 and moved to Sequim with his wife. Chuck jumped at Missoula for the 1947 and 1948 seasons.

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